

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An image forming apparatus, comprising:
~~at least one color cartridge that supplies at least one color toner;~~
a plurality of color cartridges, each of the color cartridges supplying a color toner;

a monochrome cartridge that supplies monochrome toner;

an image formation unit configured to form an image on an image-transferring member using at least one of the ~~at least one plurality of color toner toners~~ and the monochrome toner; and

a processor electrically coupled to the image formation unit, the processor configured to:

determine whether the ~~at least one plurality of color cartridge contains cartridges contain~~ insufficient color toner for printing an image according to a first image job;

queue a second image job, the second image job not requiring the ~~at least one plurality of color cartridge cartridges~~, before the first image job requiring the ~~at least one plurality of color cartridge cartridges~~ if the ~~at least one plurality of color cartridge contains cartridges contain~~ insufficient color toner for printing the image of the first image job; and

control the image formation unit to form images in accordance with the queue,

wherein the processor is configured to determine whether at least one of the plurality of color cartridges contains insufficient color toner for printing the image according to the first image job, and to queue the second image job not requiring the at least one of the plurality of color cartridges before the first image job, and the processor is further programmed to query a user whether to continue printing image jobs not requiring the at least one of the plurality of color cartridges, and

wherein the processor is programmed to control the image formation unit so as to continue printing image jobs not requiring the at least one of the plurality of color cartridges if the user query is positive.

Claims 2. - 3. (Canceled).

4. (Currently Amended) The image forming apparatus of claim [[3]] 1, wherein the processor is further programmed to pause all image jobs if the user query is negative.

Claims 5. -11. (Canceled).

12. (Currently Amended) The An image forming apparatus of claim 1, comprising:

at least one color cartridge that supplies at least one color toner;
a monochrome cartridge that supplies monochrome toner;
an image formation unit configured to form an image on an image-transferring member using at least one of the at least one color toner and the monochrome toner; and

a processor electrically coupled to the image formation unit, the processor configured to:

determine whether the at least one color cartridge contains insufficient color toner for printing an image according to a first image job;

queue a second image job, the second image job not requiring the at least one color cartridge, before the first image job requiring the at least one color cartridge if the at least one color cartridge contains insufficient color toner for printing the image of the first image job;

control the image formation unit to form images in accordance with the queue;

wherein the processor is further programmed to query a user whether to

continue printing images in monochrome that require a color toner determined to be insufficient for printing an image, and

~~wherein the processor is programmed to~~ control the image formation unit so as to continue printing images in monochrome that require the color toner determined to be insufficient for printing an image if the user query is positive.

Claim 13. (Canceled).

14. (Currently Amended) A method of forming images on an image transferring member, comprising:

providing at least one color cartridge that supplies at least one color toner;

providing at least one monochrome cartridge that supplies monochrome toner;

determining whether the at least one color cartridge contains insufficient color toner for printing an image according to a first image job; queuing a second image job, the second image job not requiring the at least one color cartridge, before the first image job requiring the at least one color cartridge if the at least one color cartridge contains insufficient color toner for printing the image of the first job; [[and]]

forming an image according to the queuing;

query a user whether to continue printing image jobs not requiring the at least one of the plurality of color cartridges;

printing at least one image job not requiring the at least one of the plurality of color cartridges if the user query is positive; and

pausing all image jobs if the user query is negative until the one of the plurality of colorants is refilled.

Claims 15. - 20. (Canceled).